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NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

LATEST AND STILL CONFLICTING RUMORS FROM GEN. SHERMAN.

HIS ARRIVAL AT JACKSON IS RE-ASSERTED.

The Notorious Rebel Forrest Reported Killed.

A REBEL RUMOR OF DISASTER TO SHERMAN'S FORCE.

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ILLINOIS HAS FILLED HER QUOTA UNDER THE NEW CALL—WHAT OTHER STATES HAVE DONE.

Gen. Meade's Order at Gettysburg Explained.

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Late and Important from Europe

A FRESH BATCH OF INTERVENTION RUMORS.

Dublin Riot---Danish War---Proposed Adjustment.

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A Danish Iron-Clad at Work on the German Batteries.

GEN. SHERMAN'S EXPEDITION.

Its Return to Jackson Reaffirmed.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

CAIRO, March 7, 1864.

An officer has arrived here direct from Vicksburg, who corroborates the Confederate stories regarding the return of Gen. Sherman's expedition to Jackson, and says that a portion of the force is on the march already to Vicksburg. He says it is a small army of negroes, a large lot of mules, horses, hogs, cattle &c., spoils taken en route.

Rebel rumors say that Col. Forrest was killed in an engagement with the expedition. We must soon have full particulars from our correspondent, who accompanied the movements.

MEMPHIS, March 8, via CAIRO, March 7.—Reports are current here that Sherman has returned to Vicksburg, and it is generally believed in official circles, but nothing definite has yet been received, as there has been no arrivals from that place.

McPherson's corps is reported between Jackson and the Black river, and Hurlbut near Brandon. Definite news is hourly expected.

MAJOR GENERAL SHERMAN'S CORPS COMMANDERS.

As great anxiety prevails regarding the success of the Sherman expedition, we give a brief history of his corps commanders.

Major General James B. McPherson, commanding the 17th corps, was, at the breaking out of the rebellion, a Lieutenant of Engineers, and was employed in the construction of the works at San Francisco. Gen. Halleck, during the siege of Corinth, appointed him on his staff as Chief Engineer, afterwards as Inspector General, with rank, position I was present when Halleck offered it to a Major Generalcy and assigned to the command of Buell's, Tennessee. The last Congress confirmed him both as brigadier and Major General. In the advance of our army on Jackson, Miss., by way of Corinth, he commanded the 16th and 17th army corps. When, on our retreat, the communication was cut off, he returned to the rear of Corinth, and, by a circuitous route, came to Memphis, where he left in February, 1863, for Milliken's Bend. This corps was engaged in the reduction of Vicksburg, including Big Black, Fort Gibson, Champion Hill and Raymond. During the siege of Vicksburg, he was a warm admirer of Major Gen. Grant, and his services as an engineer was considered the most effectual. Gen. McPherson is a native of the United States. He is young. This Congress has confirmed him as a Brigadier General. He is a Methodist. He is a young man who ever held that position.

Major Gen. John A. Logan, was formerly Colonel of the 31st Illinois Infantry, which position he obtained on the breaking out of the rebellion. He was during the Mexican war Regimental adjutant or master of the 1st Illinois infantry. He distinguished himself at Fort Donelson, and was shortly afterwards promoted to a Brigadier General, and placed in command of the 3d division, which division he commanded at Shiloh, Corinth, and succeeded Major Gen. Sherman in command of the 15th Army Corps, in the Vicksburg campaign. Gen. Logan stands first in the list of American volunteers. Gen. Logan was born in Kentucky, in his state, is about 35 years of age, and of Irish extraction.

Major-General Stephen A. Hurlbut, formerly a Charleston lawyer, is a native of South Carolina, by birth. He was one of the first Brigadier-General made by the President when this war broke out. He was engaged in the battle of Missouri, and was relieved by Gen. Fremont and ordered home; he afterwards commanded the 4th corps, and of the old 4th Division, and distinguished himself at Shiloh, Corinth, Iuka, Hatchie. He is the Major-General in the Department of the Tennessee, and should any accident befall Gen. Sherman, Gen. Hurlbut, by virtue of his seniority, would command the Department, and this present expedition.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

WASHINGTON, March 7, 1864.

THE SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN QUESTION.

Col. Rosebud, Danish Minister, has gotten out a pamphlet, representing the Danish cause. Forty-seven thousand complaints, for private circulation among members of the Cabinet, Congressmen and foreign diplomats. It is understood that the German Ministers will reply to what they consider his fallacious statements.

THE CALL FOR TROOPS.

Vermont, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Iowa, have raised their full quotas under the 500,000 call; Ohio, Wisconsin and Missouri very nearly so; Pennsylvania and Kentucky continue to make the worst showing.

It is not true that as soon as the impending draft is completed another will be ordered, but a proposition is entertained in the War Department to call an additional 500,000 men before the draft is made, in order to make up for the deficiency to be caused by the transfer of men from the army to the navy, and to raise the troops already ready for enrollment, and to reserve bodies, one to be formed in the West, and the other in the East.

GETTYSBURG.

It is stated authoritatively that the order to retreat from Gettysburg after the first day's fight, proved before the Committee on the Conduct of the War to have been given by General Meade, was imperfectly understood by some officers, to on the supposition that the enemy advanced upon him for the purpose of giving battle. General Meade selected invisible ground some miles east of Gettysburg, upon which he intended to await the approach of the rebel army, and directed the troops in advance to fall back to it. Upon reaching Gettysburg, however, he satisfied himself of the superiority of position held by our troops near town, and determined to give battle from it, and countermanded his previous orders.

COURT MARTIAL.

Gen. Hunter has arrived here from the West with findings of the Committee of Inquiry into the conduct of Gens. Rosecrans, Stahel, Crittenden, and others. It is understood that although the three first mentioned officers are not pronounced altogether blameless, the committee does not recommend any further proceedings against them. Nothing has yet been said to sustain the charges against Gen. Negley. The letter of Gen. Rosecrans in reply to that of Gen. Wood, published with the former's report, is part of the record of the committee. It is very severe.

GEN. BURNSIDE.

Gen. Burnside is here. He reports considerable success in recruiting for the 9th corps.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Mr. Brooks made a long stump speech to-day on the deficiency bill, in which he charged that the thirty millions deficiency in the transportation was by the intention of sending to their homes the few soldiers who have had an opportunity to exercise the elective franchise. The debate which sprung up on the clause in the deficiency bill appropriating $10,000 for the support of medical attendance of colored refugees, enlivened it. It did not interest the House. Green Clay Smith took out of his strong anti-colored, half-insane, half-drunken speech, reported by Mr. Mallory in his usual style. A lively personal discussion followed between Messrs. Blair and Blair. Mr. Rosecrans, Democrat, of Illinois, in his usual manner, was severe on the latter Blair.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Respectfully, your obedient servant, [illegible]

Colonel 31st Indiana Volunteers.

P. Jones, 1, 5th cav.; Saml R. Patton, A. 126th; Stokes M. Barnett, B. 66th; Columbus Bull, H. 119th; John Sprehn, G. 1st art'y; Lyman Moss, H. 1d inv.; Adam Kind, B. 1d art'y; Samuel B. Parker, F. 1st artillery.

☞ Touching the rumors that the pirate Alabama is about to visit the Pacific Ocean, it may not be amiss to give the strength of our Pacific squadron, which is as follows:

	Guns.	Officers and Men.
St. Mary's	22	250
Steam'p Lancaster	14	150
Steamer Narragansett	6	100
Steamer Saranac	9	150
Steamer Wyoming	9	150
Sailing sloop Cyane	20	200
Totals	71	1000

These vessels all belong to the regular navy, and the Saginaw is said to be very fast. There is a rumor that other steamers are under orders for the Pacific.

INTERESTING REPORT BY COL. STREIGHT.

Rebel Treatment of Union Prisoners—Flagrant Violation of the Terms of Surrender—The Outrages to which Our Men were Subjected.

WILLARD'S HOTEL, WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3, 1864.

Hon. F. W. Kellogg, House Committee on Military Affairs:

Dear Sir: Agreeable to your request, I have the honor to report the following facts in relation to the treatment of our officers and men by the rebel authorities:

It is impossible for me to give you an account of all the acts of barbarity, inhumanity and bad faith I witnessed during my captivity; but I will endeavor to mention such instances as will give you an correct idea of the true condition of our men as possible.

On the 2d of May last near Rome, Georgia, my command having become so reduced by hard fighting and marching, during the seven days previous, that it was evident to me that my command (five hundred officers and men) would fall into the hands of the enemy, and, after holding a council of war with my regimental commanders, it was decided to capitulate, and thus to secure the best terms possible for the command as a condition of surrender. In accordance with this decision I sent the rebel commander, Gen. Forrest, under a flag of truce, when a stipulation was entered into between him and myself, whereby it was agreed that my command should surrender as prisoners of war, on the following conditions, to-wit:

1. Each regiment should be permitted to retain its colors.

2. The officers to retain their side arms.

3. Both officers and men were to retain their haversacks, knapsacks and blankets; and all private property of every description was to be respected and retained by the owner.

The above terms were in a measure respected while we remained with General Forrest; but no sooner were we turned over to the rebel authorities than a system of robbing commenced which soon relieved us of everything valuable in our possession. The blankets, haversacks, and knapsacks were taken from my men at Atlanta. They were also robbed of nearly all their money, and most of them had their overcoats at the same place. Here, too, the colors and side arms were taken from us. My men were turned into a pen without shelter of any kind, destitute of blankets and overcoats, in 15° before plenty of kept under guard for four days, during which time a most disagreeable cold storm prevailed; after which they were sent forward to Richmond, Va., under a guard.

My officers were sent to Richmond, after a stay of about ten days in Atlanta. On our arrival at the rebel capital we were all searched separately, and all money found in our possession was taken from us. For a few days thereafter we were allowed to pass around the city on our parole, on payment of a parole bond. But this privilege was soon denied us.

I then asked and obtained permission from the rebel authorities for the officers to send home for money, clothing, and necessaries. This request and privilege were generally delayed to the parties for which they were intended. The boxes containing them was not broken open and rifled until it constantly before it reached its destination, which was frequently not the case. In instances where we knowledge has the money been delivered to the owner. The Richmond City Jail was used for officers by agreeing to deliver it, is as act of parole that Lagrave dereliction. I have repeatedly called the attention of the rebel authorities to the fact that we say surrender, and demanded that its provisions be complied with. Our requests were treated as a joke. Out of the prisoners, took from me the stipulations signed by Gen. Forrest which he still retains, and the following is a copy of the joint report of myself, officers, together with something near one thousand other United States officers, confined in a large warehouse building, with an average space of about twenty-five square feet for each man, to cook, sleep, all room for washing, cooking, eating, sleeping and exercising. They have no bunks, chairs or seats of any kind; they have to sit on the floor, and put both sit and sleep on the floor. The windows of the building are kept open, which was cold, at the middle of December last, when pieces of canvas were furnished for the purpose of clothing them to keep the cold out; but as the weather grew cold in the dark, we were compelled to leave a portion of them open to endure the cold.

Many of the officers were entirely destitute of blankets still some of them have had a quantity given to them in the support of the winter. The supply of blankets is now exhausted, and officers who have come in since that time have not received none furnished them.

The ration furnished both officers and men by the rebels consist of about one pound of corn bread, made from unbolted meal, and one-fourth of a pound of bacon daily. The bacon, I am sure, has been issued to the prisoners but about half the time since the first of December. In addition to the rations of bread and meat as above stated, the prisoners draw about two quarts of rice to each man per week. The rice is of the poorest quality of salt furnished, and a very small quantity of vinegar, which is issued in this way, and although I was not without somewhere that it was a trap, nevertheless I resolved to try the experiment. Accordingly Capt. S. C. G. Reed, of the 3d Ohio, and myself went to the designated place at the appointed hour, when we were met by a Major of the rebel army, who ordered us to Memphis. He then ordered us to march, and we marched, and went to eastern Indiana, where we were found and arrested and sent to New Jersey, where his regiment then was, and escaped. He made his way to Kentucky, and finally succeeded in reaching his lines, and was promoted. He made his way to Washington, where he reported, got the money, deserted, went to New York, collected, got $100 bounty, and then deserted. He is a fair specimen of the class, and managed to reach Illinois, where he is enjoying his bounty money.

The United States General Hospital at Memphis, Tenn., for the month ending February 29, 1864, gives the following as a summary of the transactions of the United States General Hospital at Memphis, for the month ending February 29, 1864, so far as the same relate to Illinois men:

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COPPERHEAD HOPES.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

CINCINNATI, March 8, 1864.

[illegible] to secure a majority of the delegates to the National Convention, which is to be held in Chicago, on the 4th of July next. The result is not to be determined, as the full returns are not yet received, but the indications are favorable to large a proportion of the Republican party.

This dispatch is sent by a disciple of the Indian Valleyjaghan, a drunken attache of the Cincinnati Enquirer.

Of course the secession readers of the Pro-Slavery concern would be hugely delighted if the "radical Germans" should do [illegible]

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Rent.

LOST.—$50 Reward. Lost on [illegible]

LOST.—One pair of Gold Eyeglasses [illegible]

LOST.—On Saturday afternoon [illegible]

TO RENT.—The lower part of [illegible]

TO RENT.—Part of an Office [illegible]

TO RENT.—Two very [illegible]

FOUND.—A Black Newfoundland [illegible]

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NOTICE TO HAY BUYERS AND CONTRACTORS.

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NONE BUT THOSE WHO [illegible]

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NOTICE TO HAY BUYERS AND CONTRACTORS.—A list of Prairie Hay, consisting of six hundred one tons, of one hundred and twenty-one tons of Timothy, on the 15th day of March, through the Herald, in Stockton Block, 111 Lake St. [illegible]

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200 " " " "Hamilton,"
200 " " " Red Blair, (Charcoal)

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THE EDGAR COUNTY TROUBLES.

Daring Copperhead Outrages and Murders.

[From the Springfield Journal.]

Paris, in Edgar county, some disturbed by an unknown outrage, on the outskirts and suburbs of the good and innocent bands of conspirators and their fellow traitors from the South, and the theatre of their outrageous proceedings. Paris, then, and there are many of them good and true, have suffered much from the miserable traitors under the lead of unprincipled men.

We learn from a gentleman from that section, that for some time past the Copperheads of that vicinity have made dire threats against the soldiers who had the misfortune to be home on furlough, and that they "would clean them out," but mean matters counsel discretion considerable to postpone the matter until after the time the soldiers were to leave. These threats were well known to the soldiers, and they determined they have been on their guard and ready for the traitors.

It is reported that upon the plea of protecting the virtuous Copperhead shoot, the Times, from the soldiers, Amos Green has been storing arms in the office. It is also said that they had arms stored in a barn, which they call an arsenal, belonging to the Tremont House, kept by one Decker. On Sunday last, about 10 or 20 Copperheads gathered in town, and took possession of the veterans belonging to the 60th and 12th regiments who had gathered there preparatory to leaving for the South, and they determined to ascertain if arms were stored there, etc. On arriving near the barn, a man named Kennedy fired upon them, which was returned by the soldiers. A consultation of Secession leaders followed, and the proceedings of the Sons of the 12th Infantry, approached Kennedy who begged him not to shoot as he was already wounded; upon which Bostman dropped his revolver and fired, Kennedy falling to the ground and taking shot in the shoulder, passing downwards and inflicting a serious wound. He also fired at another soldier named Thompson, of the 12th Infantry, in the wrist, after he had begged Thompson not to shoot him, as he was already wounded. After the shooting of Trowbridge the soldiers fired and Kennedy fell placed with six or eight others, and proceeding to Kansville to join the Copperheads formed across the street to prevent their "prisoners" being released. Up in wagons and on horseback, in a great hurry, the soldiers flying in a jaunty manner, which it is thought must have wearied some of them.

Our informant states that when the first gun was fired, and the alarm sounded, the citizens of Paris called it, seven of them whose names are well known to the readers of the Tribune, left Paris, and started post haste for the country to inform their copperhead friends, and obtain assistance, but had not returned, when our informant left. It is feared that all the soldiers have left, the shooting commenced, and attack the town, but if such is the case, it is said, are preparing to protect themselves.

Since writing the above, we have seen a gentleman who left Paris yesterday morning, and matters were quiet at that time. It is thought that Bostman cannot recover.

THE MISSISSIPPI CAVALRY EXPEDITION.

Interesting Account of Its Operations and Its Retreat.

[Correspondence of the Bloomington Pantograph.]

CAMP 80 ILLINOIS CAVALRY, OSWEGO, TENN., Feb. 22, 1864.

For the first time in seventeen days, I take my pen in hand for the purpose briefly to inform you of my whereabouts and condition. On the 5th instant, we set out from Collierville and returned on the 12th, having been out 7 days, passing through Marshal, Tippah, and Chickasaw counties, Miss., to Wear's Cross, on the Ohio and Mobile railroad, from which point we commenced retreating on Sunday last. We marched from 3.00 to 4.00 continuously, and fought the rebels 7 consecutive miles—taken with them—and lost sixty-seven men. Some of our men had been taken, were attacked by the rebels under Lee, Forrest, Chalmers, and Jackson, and in a sharp fight, on our continued and male trails, night and day, until we finally came through, leaving the rebels behind us, with our wagons and animals. The first attack upon us after we began our retreat, was at Ocatibbeha creek, on the morning of the 11th, at 2 o'clock, the loss of five howitzers. The retreat that day had lead, was accomplished by the rebels, under cover of the night, toward Pontotoc. That movement was the most picturesque and grotesque that I ever saw. Imagine to yourself, a long, living, moving mass of men, negroes, mules and horses, 3,000 in all, 10 miles in length, closely huddled, and huddled and crowded into the smallest possible space, night coming on, artillery and wagons rattling behind us; cavalry all around and ahead, moving on, on, on over lanes, through woods, over fences, fields and across small streams and bridges, and still on, on into the night, until the rear came up in the camp and dropped as some of the outlines of this living panorama. Could that scene be transferred to canvas, it would be worth ten thousand dollars. I forgot to say that the crews were a lot of prisoners, too, once or twice threatening to overpower by the extra guard, report of the reviver, once with bitter consequences to the ringleaders.

I have not time to present the picture further.

Our raid has been a great success—as much so, perhaps, as any that has been made during the war, though not so long. Millions of bushels of corn, tons of fodder, thousands of bales of cotton, hundreds of negroes, including cotton gins, buildings, etc., altogether, remain behind us in Mississippi. We have had most excellent weather, pretty good roads, plenty to eat, with the exception of the last day or two at the end of our expedition, forage to. We have probably devoured 50,000 rations of bacon, 10,000 rations, turkeys and butter by wholesale, and such at cotteras as can be found in so rich a country as we have passed through. The Chickasaw country we found almost the prairie country equal to or better than that of Illinois. The cotton, corn, sweet potatoes and onions growing—young calves, pigs and chickens flourishing, as with us at the North in April or May.

Markets by Telegraph.

Cincinnati Market.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

CINCINNATI, March 7, 1864.

In the general market there is nothing new or new feature to notice. Holders of flour remain firm, but buyers still under and attracts no attention at the hands of the trade. Sales of 1,000 barrels superfine at $5.75@5.80, with the few buyers there may be in the city.

WHEAT is quoted at off figures, but held with great firmness and reserve.

CORN is firmly held and nominally holders stand at wages, but buyers are not bidding up to those figures for fully the. The increased receipts are the main cause of this.

Oats have a fair local market at 76c in the elevator and 78c racked.

RYE is quotable at $1.20 as a leading figure, with very little offering at less than $1.25.

BARLEY—Without change.

WHISKY—Operators are not entirely at rest yet as to the proper course to pursue on the tax question, but are consequently less eager to buy, and the advancing tendency of Saturday's market is checked, leaving the price nominally at 90c.

PROVISIONS—In the provision market both meats attract about the only attention of operators at current quotations. Business of some good size held at the house, but buyers do not meet this except upon the local market. Sales range still at 9@9½c for light and heavy. Times were somewhat better for shoulders packed at 5½; side loose at 6@6½; and clear rib sides at 10½c, without designation of weights. Lard is held at 10@10½c for country and city, but buyers do not meet this figure freely. Holders of mess pork stand firmly for $20.00@20.25 for the best country and city but there are but few buyers. Bacon shoulders bear nominal quotations at 6½c, and sides at 10½c, but there is but little doing in either.

Milwaukee Markets.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

MILWAUKEE, March 7, 1864.

WHEAT—Receipts, 18,000 bu. Market active, but a little easier. Sales 127,000 bu No. 1 spring in store at $1.30@1.32½; 4,000 bu No. 2 do at $1.25; 8,000 bu No. 1, seller's option all month, at $1.30½; 15,000 do, buyer's option all week, at $1.32½.

CORN—Quiet; sales 1,000 bu on track and 32½ bu delivered at 77c.

FLOUR—More active; sales 75 bbls red winter at $5.25; 100 bbls X.X. spring at $5.50; 20 bbls Pumpkin and 100 bbls other brands spring X at $5.25; 100 bbls superfine, f.o.b., at $4.50.

The inspection at the Newhall this evening was a shade better. Sales 30,000 bu No. 1 spring at $1.30½ in store and 41,000 bu buyer's option all the month.

PROVISIONS—Nothing doing.

DRESSED HOGS—Steady; sales 70 head at $7.50@8.00, dividing on 200 lbs.

New York Market—March 7.

COTTON—Dull and heavy, at 1c per pound of middling.

FLOUR—Closing heavy at 5c@10c for extra and 5c@10c for common grades.

WHISKY—Irregular and unsettled at 90@91c for Western and 92@93c for State.

GRAIN—Wheat quite firm, with a moderate extent demand, at 1@2c for spring options. The receipts of Milwaukee Club $1.30 account sales, $1.30@1.31 winter red western $1.35@1.37 for Chicago spring, $1.35@1.37 in store, including one load sold at $1.37. Corn 1@2c higher, with a fair business for home trade; demand for State and Western.

PROVISIONS—Pork scarcely so firm; $20.00@20.50 for mess; $19.00@19.50 for prime; $20.50@21.00 for thin mess. Beef quiet and steady; $6.00@6.50 for ordinary; $7.00@8.00 for prime mess; $8.00@9.00 for extra mess; $9.00@10.00 for extra India mess. Cut meats quiet; 9@9½c for hams; 5½@6c for shoulders; 10@10½c for clear sides. Lard quiet; 10½@10¾c for prime steam. Butter and cheese unchanged.

New York Money Market—March 7.

Money in fair request, supply abundant, and market easy at high per cent. Sterling at 9½, and sixty days at 9¾, and sight at 9¾. Gold opened at 44½, and closed at 44¼.

Government securities are quiet and firmer. U. S. 6s at 9 1-16; 1-16 coupons 104¾@¾; 1-16 Treasury notes 99¾@¾.

Stocks were dull at the Board, U. S. Coupons 1-16 [illegible]

New York Bank Statement—March 7.

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St. Louis Market.

ST. LOUIS, March 7, 1864.

COTTON—Drooping. Receipts, 47 bales; sales, 200 bales; market closing nominally at 60c for middling.

GRAIN—Corn advanced to 60@62c. Other articles [illegible]

The Foreign Markets.

PER CITY OF NEW YORK.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 24, 2 P. M.—Cotton—Sales Monday and Tuesday, 10,000 bales, including 2,000 to speculators; prices, however, in some connection in favor of buyers.

Breadstuffs—Flour dull and no buyers; prices nominally unchanged. Wheat and Corn dull and prices lower, by contract or spot, and of higher. The receipts of wheat for the week, 64,000 bushels, of which 20,000 bushels American. Corn, 18,000 bushels American. Sales of American Corn, 5,000 bushels, at 27s 6d@28s 6d.

Provisions—Pork and Beef quiet and prices nominally unchanged. Bacon and Lard dull and prices lower. Tallow quiet and steady.

Rosin—Common, 4s 6d.

Rice—Carolina, 27s 6d@28s 6d.

Spirits Turpentine—Quiet and steady, 40s.

Petroleum—Refined, 2½d@3d.

Sugar—Quiet and steady. Cotton closed firm, at Saturday's rates. Tobacco—Quiet and steady. Prices nominally unchanged. Rice

Chicago Tribune.

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 1864.

WHO SHALL GO OUT THIS SPRING CAMPAIGN.

The immediate demand of the spring campaign is the concentration of our forces and quick, strong blows at the very vitals of the rebellion. We have been fighting now nearly three years, and we submit it is about time to close in with our adversary. We shall never get this tree of the rebellion down if we spend our time lopping off twigs and branches. We must attack the trunk close down to the ground. It will be harder work and we may have to take off our coats and perspire a little, but the blows will tell, and are long the tree will fall and bring down the twigs and branches with it which we can lop off at our pleasure. It is no secret that an expedition is now ready to start for Texas with a force of cavalry as large as that of Gen. Smith's, and a still larger infantry force to go to Texas via the Red River. Of what use is an expedition into Texas? We have forces enough at various points to keep off the exportation of supplies from that State to the rebels. Of what use can it be to send twenty or thirty thousand men across those and wades where every man in the State immediately becomes an enemy, fighting against us? If we have got thirty thousand men to spare in Louisiana, concentrate them where they can be made available. Suppose these troops had been joined with Sherman in command for instance. He could have marched through Mississippi, Georgia, and Alabama at his leisure, inflicting the most serious blows at the very heart of the Confederacy, wasting its resources, destroying its material of war, holding Mobile at his mercy or firing it as a thunderbolt upon Johnston's flank. There are those heroic blows which must be crushed, Lee's, Johnston's and Longstreet's, and to effect that, our force must be massed and hurled upon them. We cannot do it in Texas, nor in Florida, nor in Kentucky. We must go where they are, and must go with them overwhelming armies enough to do it. Crush those three armies and the rebellion is over. The Confederacy falls, and Texas falls with it. There were but two props to the rebellion—slavery and its armies. The one we have already knocked from under it. Now let us stand to the other, not by going to Texas, but by marching into the heart of the Confederacy, and ending the war. If we have not got men enough, let the draft be enforced. What the people want is a short, sharp, decisive work. It is time we stopped scattering our armies and fighting on the outer edge of the rebellion. Step over the border and sound an advance into the heart of the enemy's dominion. Grapple the rebellion by the throat and not by the tail. Cut the latter clear off and the monster will still be as lively as ever. When Hercules set about cleaning out the Augean stables he didn't sweep round the grounds, but opened the doors, walked in and went to work with a will. We have been fighting at the outside door long enough. It Kilpatrick with five thousand men could go to the outer defences of Richmond, Kilpatrick with fifty thousand men might go beyond the lines. If Sherman with twenty-five thousand men can go to Selma, Sherman with twice that number can go where he pleases. But the route doesn't lie through Texas. We have traveled round the circumference long enough, let us take the diameter and go to the center.

IRON SMELTING IN CHICAGO.

On the 1st of January, 1862, there were in the three States of Illinois, Wisconsin, and Iowa, over 4,800 miles of railway in operation, and over 3,500 miles under construction, making over 8,000 miles, which required, and will require, 720,000 tons of railroad iron: and to maintain these lines, requires an annual addition of new iron equal to 46,000 tons. Of this vast amount, Chicago might, from our geographical position, to be the principal distributing point; and, while many of the mills may be here recorded, it is not a matter of great importance that it be produced in our midst. This is but one item, but a large one, of the annual consumption of this all important metal in the Northwest.

It is a trite maxim in political economy, that no community is rich, the mass of whose people are engaged in a single pursuit. Diversified industry and neighborhood interchange of products make communities rich and prosperous. The profits of this industry and interchange are retained at home, instead of going to the carriers at distant points. Producers as we deem ourselves, as being the recipients of so much corn, and beef, and pork, the day will come when the handling of these products will not support our large and increasing population. What Chicago requires is an increase in manufactures, and particularly in those of iron. The question is asked, can it be done? And this is the question which we propose to answer.

The great shipping point of the ores of Lake Superior will be from Escanaba. The distance and the cost of transportation to the lake, port to Chicago, are, or maybe, shipped, will be nearly as follows:

	Miles.	Rate per ton.
Chicago	400	$1.00
Detroit	60	1.00
Cleveland	176	2.00
Erie	200	2.00
Buffalo	240	2.00
By rail without change to		
Pittsburg	120	2.50—$4.50

It will thus be seen that, so far as relates to the supply of ore, Chicago is in closer proximity than other centers above enumerated, and that the discrimination in her favor amounts, as compared with Buffalo, to $1.65 per ton, and with Pittsburg, to $3.50. As every bar of pig metal run out would be consumed here, the distribution would be increased by the cost of freight respectively from Buffalo and Pittsburgh to this place, which, in the first instance, would amount to $1.00, and in the second to $4.00. But as, in the smelting, 33 per cent of gross matter has been eliminated, only 67 per cent is chargeable with freight, which would be 67 cents, so far as relates to Buffalo, and $2.68 so far as relates to Pittsburgh.

The entire discrimination, then, in favor of Chicago, on a ton of these ores would be

Against Buffalo $1.67
Against Pittsburgh $6.18

The next question is as to fuel; and we will discuss it without reference to our Illinois coals,—whether, by the process of selection, certain portions of the lakes will be found sufficiently free from sulphur to furnish coke for smelting. In their crude state, they can be employed in the hot-blast and in engine driving, while for iron-smelting, bituminite can be profitably employed.

The Buffalo Union Iron Works have been established within the last two years, comprising three furnaces, and a rolling mill, which for strength and simplicity of structure, including all subordinate details, are unsurpassed in this country. The capital invested is nearly $1,000,000. The annual product of these furnaces will be about 36,000 tons of pig metal, all of which be consumed by their rolling mill, producing that of rails, sheet, such as railroad bars, girders, propeller shafts, &c.

They use exclusively anthracite coal, from the Pittston Valley, purchasing directly from the coal mining company, and the cost per ton, the past year, delivered at Buffalo, was $6.00½. Now we have upon the lakes a fleet of over 1,000 vessels. The descending freights are very largely in excess of the ascending, consequently very many of the vessels return in ballast. Would it not find it cheaper to ballast with coal at a wharf, than to cart sand or gravel from a distance now or incommodious. Hence, the difference in the cost of transportation of anthracite, between Buffalo and Chicago, is merely the cost of handling, which does not ordinarily exceed 50c per ton. Adopting these figures as correct, it may be stated that, to stock a furnace capable of turning out 9,000 tons of pig metal annually, would require 18,000 tons of coal, and that the difference in favor of Chicago, as compared with Buffalo, would amount to $32,000.

To stock a furnace with coal would require 14,000 tons, and the discrimination against Chicago would be $9,100.

To produce a ton of pig metal from anthracite requires—

33 cwt. of coal to a charge, costing	$10.00
3 cwt. of coal, for engine firing, &c.	3.00
Total cost of fuel	$13.00
Cost of Chicago, less than	12.00

Let us now compare Chicago with Pittsburg, which is pre-eminently favored in the article of cheap fuel. The best coal for iron-smelting is obtained from a 13-foot seam on the Connellsville Railroad, 80 miles distant. It is too fatty to use raw, is free from sulphur, and yields an admirable coke, which process costs from 2 to 2½ cents per bushel.

The price of coal at Pittsburg at this time is—

Per bushel	$0.10
Per ton	1.20
Per stack	18.00

which prices are about 100 per cent above those which prevailed two years ago. The cost of the bituminous coal to the furnace mouth is about $1.60 per ton. To make a ton of iron requires from 30 to 120 bushels of coke, the average of 60 bushels of coal, and half a ton of raw coal to keep up the hot blast.

The cost, then, would be as follows:

60 bushels of coke, at 2½c	$1.50
½ ton of raw coal	1.60
Is one hour coal	1.00
	$4.10

To make a ton of Chicago charcoal, it may be [illegible] of producing a ton of pig metal would be [illegible] including first cost at Escanaba:

AT CHICAGO.

Cost of ore (1.33 tons)	$4.00
Cost of coal	13.00
	$17.00

FROM BUFFALO, DELIVERED AT CHICAGO.

Cost of ore	$1.94
Cost of coal	12.00
Transportation	1.00
	$14.94

FROM PITTSBURG, DELIVERED AT CHICAGO.

Cost of ore	$6.50
Fuel	11.00
Transportation	4.00
	$21.50

McCLELLAN'S TREATY WITH KENTUCKY.

One would think from the inordinate length of McClellan's Report that it should at least have the merit of completeness. Boswell's Life of Johnson, which is of about the same bulk, has every detail of that great biographer's life even to the taking of a pinch of snuff or the changing of his nether garments. But McClellan, even though he has endangered the supply of paper and poured a perfect river of ink over readers of history, has omitted a great deal. Were his Report a purely military one, these omissions might be overlooked, but as it is a political document, sent out to advance his claims to the Presidency and confirm wavering Copperheads, these omissions are of the most flagrant character.

When McClellan drew sword in this contest, he evidently thought his mission was a political one. He labored under the delusion that there was a political hell in his heart which would reach up to the Capitol. At the outbreak of the war he thought he heard it tinkle, and he immediately entered upon his political mission. After he had shattered that splendid army of the Potomac in the Chickahominy marshes, he sits down at Harrison's Landing and issues a manifesto to the President, laying out the political grounds upon which the civil and military policy of the Administration is to be carried out. He evidently supposed the old maxim, that the pen is mightier than the sword, and he accordingly dropped that weapon and took to the goose quill.

His political policy with Kentucky is another fair instance of his powers in this direction, and makes one of the confusion in which we complain. While commanding at Washington, he negotiated a treaty for the United States with General Buckner, a rebel general formerly of Chicago, who acted for Beriah Magoffin, Governor of Kentucky, and now at Chicago. This treaty established the Kentucky neutrality, and imparted a new sanctity to Kentucky soil. It interposed Kentucky between the two armies and was to hold back the United States while the rebels occupied Tennessee and carried Kentucky into the Confederacy. This treaty was published. It is due to the great and comprehensive political sagacity of McClellan, and it should be incorporated in the next edition of the report. It is as follows:

HEADQUARTERS KENTUCKY STATE GUARD, LOUISVILLE, June 10, 1861.

SIR: On the 6th inst., at Cincinnati, Ohio, I entered into an agreement with Major-Gen. George B. McClellan, Commander of the United States forces in the Ohio Valley north of the Ohio River, the following effect:

The sovereignties of the State of Kentucky are to protect the United States property within the limits of the State, to enforce the laws of the United States in accordance with the interpretations of the Supreme Court of the United States, and to enforce the laws of Kentucky, and to enforce with all the power of the State the obligations of neutrality as against the laws of the United States. The position we have assumed she will be respected by the United States.

Gen. McClellan stipulates that the territory of Kentucky shall be respected on the part of the United States so long as the State of Kentucky shall occupy it; but in the large case he will call upon the Southern forces to remove the Southern forces from our territory. Should Kentucky be invaded by the forces of the Southern Confederacy, Gen. McClellan claims the right of occupancy with the Southern forces. I have stipulated in the case to advise of any such intention, that I may comply with her obligations, and to invite him to occupy the ground with his forces. He stipulates that if successful in so doing, he will withdraw his forces from the territory of the State, as soon as the Southern forces shall do so.

This, he assures me, is the policy which he will adopt in the event of invasion.

Should the Administration behave another and different policy, he is to give me timely notice of the fact.

I am, sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
S. B. BUCKNER,
Inspector-General.

To his Excellency, B. MAGOFFIN, Frankfort, Ky.

AMENDMENTS TO THE NATIONAL BANKING LAW.

There are three amendments to the National Banking law demanded by capitalists, and which should be made uniform, if only so; seven per cent is the rate suggested. Some say six per cent for the Eastern States, and seven for the Western. As the law stands, there is much confusion and inequality. A National Bank in New York may charge seven per cent where money is cheap, while in Illinois he can take but six per cent, though by special agreement he is allowed to be collected by private bankers. The act provides that the bank may charge the interest already established by law, in the States in which they are located. 2d, The old State Banks that want to change into National Banks desire to retain their present distinctive titles; they are very tenacious on this point. A dispatch from Washington says:

"Officers of some of the largest banks in New York, Boston and Philadelphia are here urging the Ways and Means Committee to incorporate in the amendments of the National Banking act, to effect a change in the law so as to enable them to retain their present distinctive names, as the National Bank of Commerce, or the National Bank of Boston, or the National Bank of Philadelphia. It is stated that if the privilege is conceded to the Northern and Western banks that require it, the whole or the greater portion of the country will be transferred to work under Chase's law.

3d.—The most important amendment proposed is that of central redemption. It is held that unless all the National Banks are required to redeem their issues at some common financial center their uniform value will be much impaired. The bills of the country banks will depreciate and fall below par in proportion to the distance the bank is located from the point of National exchange which is New York. Therefore, in order to give uniform value to them, and enable them to circulate freely in all parts of the United States, they should be made redeemable in New York as well as at the counters of the banks issuing them. There is no doubt as to the soundness of this objection to the law as it now stands. The experience of the past in banking shows that unless the notes of the country banks are redeemable in New York they will fall into discount so badly as to loose character as currency; the brokers make millions of money. Already the Associated Banks of New York have resolved that National Bank notes and checks should not be taken either one banks having their accounts represented in the Clearing House through an Associated Bank. This is the real beginning of the war between the State and National Banks, which must open as the several new banks now organizing in that city get into full operation. The following are the resolutions:

"Resolved, That the banks composing the Clearing House Association agree to receive from their respective depositors, only such National Bank Notes as guaranteed to be redeemed at par in Philadelphia of the United States by any National Bank of the City of New York, Boston, or Philadelphia, and that all National bank notes that are not received under the guarantee shall be returned to the owner forthwith.

"Resolved, That we will receive deposit certificates and checks on such National Banks in this city as are redeemed through the Clearing House, or that will make their notes payable at the office of such members thereof as may be agreed upon by a majority of the Associated Banks, and that it will be responsible for such checks to the extent of the capital and surplus of the constituents of the Clearing House association."

In returning to the above resolutions, the New York Times says:

"The idea of a bank note is to combine under the name of a bank the credit of the bank and the capital about $40,000,000, and they are making preparations for a vigorous campaign. The people have been taught to look upon the bills of these a legal tender between the Government and the people, and they will be ready to redeem their notes on demand in lawful money. It does not do any good to say that the bank is responsible, as the holder has the right to demand payment at the counters of the National Bank, and that the bank is responsible, but if the counter is not accessible to the holder, the right is worthless. The bank may be responsible, but they practically take this right away from the bill holder altogether. Then it collects its internal revenue in Greenbacks, and pays its taxes in greenbacks, and the Government loses in the loss of the New York Banks. Money lay on the Bank of Oregon, and the notes of that State, in New York, is a very good thing, but if the bank in New York is dealing in Oregon notes, cannot get them redeemed in greenbacks. This is an extreme case to illustrate the difficulty. It may come the nearer home, but the principle is the same. The Government, in the hands of Mr. Chase, has a pair of fine, strong pantaloons, and they change a pair of filthy rags presented to the Treasury and be a mere fragment for their trouble. The Treasury will be a mere fragment for their trouble. The Treasury will be a mere receptacle for worn out and worthless bank notes when they cannot be redeemed."

JUDGE MILLER OF IOWA.

The issue of February 26th contains the following item as a special dispatch from Washington:

"The House Judiciary Committee have under consideration the impeachment case of Judge Miller, of Iowa. When they meet again, an effort will be made to authorize the impeachment."

The statement is a mistake as to the man. The Miller against whom the impeachment case is pending is Hon. A. O. Miller, Judge of the District Court of the U. S. for Wisconsin, not Judge of Iowa. Hon. Samuel F. Miller, of Iowa, Judge of the Supreme Court, representing the States of Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Kansas—being the ninth district. It is very annoying to Judge Miller's friends to have his name confounded with the Wisconsin Copperhead Judge of the same surname.

DESERTERS FROM THE ARMY.—Provost Marshal's Report.

In April, 1863, there were reported 76,424 deserters from the army—being an average of 6,369 per month. In April, 1863, the Provost Marshal system was adopted, and since then the average desertions per month have been only 4,000. The number of desertions since the war broke out is 197,157, of which number 30,000 were enlisted men from New York; 16,569 from Pennsylvania; 13,959 from Ohio; 11,635 from Illinois; 5,920 from Kentucky; 4970 from Missouri; 1,243 from Tennessee; 2,905 from Iowa; 1,200 from the District of Columbia; and smaller numbers from other States.

POLITICAL.

The Town and Charter Elections in New York—Local Union Gains.

THE UNION ELECTIONS.

Columbus county returns eight Democrats. In Duchess county the Supervisors stand nine Union, eleven Democrats, three towns to hear from. In Erie nine towns have gone Union, eight Democratic. In Genessee county, Bergen has gone Union by 70 majority. In Monroe county, the Union ticket prevailed 16 to 8. In Madison county, Lennox elects a clean Union ticket by 221 majority—a gain of 160. In Niagara county, Lockport elected a Union Collector, the rest of the ticket Democratic, by majorities ranging from 28 to 74. Last year it went 205 Democratic. In Orange county, Newburgh went Union by over 300 majority—Union gain of 509 in one year.

CHARTER ELECTIONS.

Port Jervis elects the Union ticket by an average majority of 120. Last year the copperheads elected their ticket by a majority of seven. Montgomery elected Union officers for the first time. Newburgh elected a Union city officers by majorities ranging from 250 to 400—last year, copperhead by 355 majority. Utica has been revolutionized. The Peace Democracy last year elected their Mayor by 606 majority; this year Theodore S. Faxon, Republican, is elected by 50 majority—Union gain 656, while Thomas McQuade, Democrat, slips in for Treasurer, by the bare majority of two. The city now has a Republican Mayor and Common Council, Overseer of the Poor and Justice of the Peace, and has made a gain of two Supervisors. Remsen elected a War Democrat, instead of an anti-Volunteer Bounty Republican, who was up for re-election. Deerfield, last year Democratic by 84 majority, is a tie.

Mayor Grant (cop.) is re-elected in the city of Oswego by 50 majority. The copperheads also elect three of the four Aldermen, and two of the four Supervisors. Oswego is undoubtedly a Union city, as is shown by its votes at all general elections, but this spring as last, local dissensions have served to secure a disgraceful copperhead triumph. Last spring, Mayor Grant's majority was 108, which is now reduced 58. In Constantia the whole Union ticket is chosen by 15 to 45 majority.

Baldwinsville follows up the Union successes of last month, triumphantly returning the Union ticket by 72 majority, in spite of a desperate copperhead opposition. Syracuse elects next Tuesday, when the enemy will be routed, horse, foot and frogmont.

In Saratoga Springs, the Union Supervisor gets 300 majority; whole ticket about the same. Last year, Union by 238. In Half Moon the contest resulted in the election of Thomas Noxon, Republican, by a majority of 77. Last year, C. J. Warrington, Democrat, was elected by 40 majority. Gain, 117. The whole ticket, except Justice and one Constable, was elected. The Board in Saratoga county, will probably stand: Union 14; Democrats 5; Tie 1. Ithaca goes Union by a large majority. Marlborough, which last year gave forty odd Democratic majority, this year gives forty odd Union, with the same candidate for Supervisor. Flatbush has also gone Union; not a copperhead elected. Shawangunk elects a copperhead Supervisor by 54 majority—a Union gain of 66 from last year. It stay-at-home Union men had turned out, they would have elected their ticket. In Sangerties is also Democratic. Kingsbury, Sandy Hills, Fort Edward, Fort Ann, and Whitehall, have gone Democratic. A Union loss of one. Macedon and Walworth have gone Union by hard fighting for the distinction of electing Supervisors. Lyons, Palmyra, and Arcadia, are Democratic by reduced majorities. Galena is Union by 206 majority.

THE RESULT THUS FAR.

Counties.	Union.	Dem.	Un. Gns.	Dem. Gns.
Columbia	8	5	1	
Chemung	5	3	1	
Chenango	13	6	1	
Cortland	8	4	1	
Delaware	11	7	1	
Dutchess	9	11	1	
Fulton	5	3	1	
Herkimer	10	7	1	
Jefferson	12	7	1	
Lewis	5	3		
Madison	9	4	3	
Montgomery	6	4	3	
Otsego	9	4	3	
Oswego	12	10	1	
Rensselaer	13	5	1	
Richmond	3	3		
St. Lawrence	16	1	1	
Schoharie	8	2		
Schuyler	4	4	1	
Steuben	11	4	1	
Sullivan	6	3	1	
Wyoming	11	3	1	
Yates	4	2		
Total	275	156	41	

☞ Rafael Ortega, a Spanish gentleman residing in Morrisonia, New York, recently appeared before a New York city justice, and preferred a complaint against three men, known as George Hill, C. Shaffer and George Andrews, whom he charges with keeping and maintaining a gambling house on the second floor of premises No. 223 Broadway, where money is lost and won at the game of "faro." Mr. Ortega, in his affidavit, further swears that between the first day of February and the last day of December, 1863, he lost in that house by betting on the game of "faro" the sum of $60,000 and upwards. On this complaint the magistrate issued his warrant for the arrest of Hill, Shaffer and Andrews.

☞ The Wheeling (W. V.) *Intelligencer* says: "We regret to learn from those who profess to know that the peach crop in this vicinity is entirely destroyed. The warm, bright sunshine caused the buds to swell prematurely, and the biting cold which followed destroyed them. So that the coming autumn will bring us none of this delicious fruit, and we will have to depend, as we have for several years upon the productions of Jersey and other sections where the seasons are more uniform and where the frosts and the sunshine come at the proper times.

☞ We print elsewhere the speech of Prince Napoleon to the stockholders of the Suez Canal, in which he declares that England dare not go to war with France for the purpose of stopping the progress of the work. The Prince is opposed to the project of uniting the waters of the Red Sea and the Mediterranean, as they fear it will give the French an advantage in the trade of the East Indies; but the masses, he thinks, will not allow the nation to quarrel with France about the canal.

☞ Mr. F. B. Carpenter, of New York, is in Washington by invitation of the President, occupying a room at the White House, while engaged upon his large painting representing "The first reading of the Proclamation of Emancipation by President Lincoln to his Cabinet." The individual subjects of the picture are sitting to Mr. Carpenter almost daily, and the work promises to be one of great interest.

NEWSPAPORIAL.—The Syracuse N.Y. *Journal* has authority for stating that Wm. S. King, Postmaster of the House of Representatives, has become the purchaser of the Rochester *Democrat and American* newspaper and job printing establishment. The price to be paid is $50,000, and Mr. King will take possession April 1. The *Journal* also understands that Augustus Maverick, formerly of the New York *Times* and now of the *Evening Post*, is to be the editor.

☞ Count Rossi, whose name is known in the United States as the husband of Madame Sontag, has just died in Brussels. He was an ambassador from from one of the minor Italian courts to Belgium, and has been employed in Brussels, educating his children. Sontag died in Mexico over ten years ago, almost simultaneously with Pozzolini, a young tenor of good name and promise.

☞ Joshua Dewey, the oldest graduate of Yale College, died at Watertown, New York, on the 26th ult. He was nearly 97 years of age. Mr. Dewey was James Fenimore Cooper's tutor. Rev. Daniel Waldo, of Syracuse, New York, of the class of 1788, is now the oldest graduate.

☞ Parton's Life of Gen. Butler is elaborately reviewed in the London *Spectator*. The writer acknowledges that the book has entirely changed his opinion of Gen. Butler, and compares him, in versatility and energy, to Frederick the Great.

☞ Miss Emma Webb, the elder of the Webb sisters, has entered the field against Miss Anna Dickinson. Miss Webb is said to be a capital speaker, pungent and satirical, and much sport is expected from this contest of female wits.

☞ "Reel this"—from the copperhead Chicago *Times*:

"General Sherman at Chatton was defeated by the cowardice of the negro troops, and by superior forces."

Now read this from the Prince of Copperhead Journals, the N. Y. *Herald*, whose reporter was an eye-witness of the fight:

"The 1st North Carolina and the 54th Massachusetts, of the colored troops, did admirably. The 1st North Carolina held the position. It was hard to withstand the greater intensity and spiritual heavy loss on the enemy. It was cool and steady, and never flinched for a moment. The 54th earned all the reputation they had gained at Wagner, and have proved the colored troops have shed the blood."

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FROM CAIRO.

Preparations for Spring Campaign—Circulation of Copperhead Journals Forbidden—Proposed Expedition into Arkansas—Movements of Gen. Ord—Expedition in the South—Military Changes.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

CAIRO, March 4, 1864.

The political caucuses has commenced in both and to hold the at a fearful rate in this District of Southern Illinois. I am sorry to say, that the activity, just at present, appears to be only on the part of the Copperhead portion of the political mouthpieces. They spit fire and brimstone most beautifully. The Democracy are merely animated part of the party hereabouts, the anti-war, secession-sympathizing Democracy—are alive and kicking. They are "about," early and late. They establish a newspaper here, for one already running there, initiate a castle of the Knights of the Golden Circle wherever they can find a dozen of the faithful to join, and squirm over the vicinity of Southern Egypt, laying their snake-eggs of secession, placing their wires, trying by all their broken limbs, talking with their friends and saying "Boys, Brill for their cannoles, and getting ready for what they expect and hope will be a grand triumph of their party in Southern Illinois.

Countless numbers of copies of Josh Allen's speeches are being circulated through the mails, and copies of the speech are well paid along all the lines of railroads and upon the Illinois side of the Ohio River. The Copperheads consider this document of incalculable value. They want the people of Egypt to swear by Josh Allen. They think if they can get the people to swear by Josh Allen, they can get them to swear by anything they please. Josh Allen's speech has the virtue of being short and pithy.

Another dodge of the faithful is to run down the present Administration and try to prejudice the people against Lincoln. Many of the Copperheads, the more modest in organized upon the basis of perpetual opposition to republican forms of government, making a great clamor about abolitionism, the assassination of emancipationists, and, finally, should their hellish work fail, the murder of the President who may be elected over their votes. At least we have been the purport of the only revelations upon the subject made to our ears. It stands the Union Leagues in hand to look to these new societies.

From Copperheads to small pox the transition is easy. This letter pestilential disease is spreading in this vicinity with a rapidity and virulence that is wonderful. It received from the Memphis and other points below. So prevalent had it become at Memphis that General Buckland issued the following order to be issued and enforced:

HEADQUARTERS, DIV. OF MEMPHIS, Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 25, 1864.

SPECIAL ORDERS No. 23.

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VII. In consequence of the increasing prevalence of small pox, through the influx of foreign population into Memphis, the city is hereby ordered.

The physicians are appointed in each ward, by the city authorities, whose duty it shall be to visit all the inhabitants of their respective wards, and vaccinate all found without well marked scars.

Every contraband shall have the certificate of some city physician, showing that he or she has been vaccinated, and has a well marked scar, before he is allowed to go to work, until he has been properly vaccinated. The city authorities will see that a proper pest house be established without the city limits, for the treatment of all cases sent by the ward physicians thus appointed.

Surgeon Wm. H. Lowe, U. S. Volunteers, and Surgeon in Chief, District of Memphis, is relieved from other duty, to carry into effect this order.

By order of Brig. Gen. B. Buckland.

ALF. G. TUTHER, A. A. A. Gen.

The country seems literally swarming with the disease, and although I am told that few cases exist here, I am lead to believe the contrary is true. The New Orleans papers say that a party of refugees were landed at Able & Co.'s wharfboat a few nights since, and one of the party soon after died. It was believed by many that it was of small pox he died, and it was known that he had been recently afflicted with that loathsome disease. Others of the party were also sick. The dead man was permitted to lay on the wharfboat for about twenty-four hours. The refugees made application to Superintendent Sawyer to be passed over the I. C. Railroad, but Mr. Sawyer very properly declined to do so unless they would bring a certificate from a physician that they had no contagious disease about them, as he did not wish to aid in spreading the small pox through the State. The Superintendent of the Pest House was called, and said that although they might be free from small pox physically, he could not certify that they might not communicate small pox from their clothes. These the matter rests. The refugees are still in town, their goods are here, and they may have infected a hundred of our citizens with small pox. Something will have to be done here soon to prevent the spread of the disease or Cairo will become one grand pest hospital.

Since the breaking out of the war Cairo's commerce has begun to flourish. We have now great theaters at New Orleans, Natchez, Vicksburg, Memphis, and at Cairo. In New Orleans, Ben De Bar, of St. Louis, has just opened the Varieties, with a fine company. At Vicksburg, T. S. Holland, late of Cairo, is running the Temple of the Muses with success. At Memphis, Mr. Ben. McDermott and Rayfield are giving first class performances at the new Memphis Theatre, being a good stock company. Frequently added by stars. At the same place Tom Coney has opened a Horse Opera in the old amphitheater. At Cairo we have the Defiance Theater, under the management of Miss Mary McWilliams, with a very effective corps of actors and actresses. During the past week theater goers have been treated to some novelties. First, we had "Fanchon, the Cricket," by permission of Miss Maggie Mitchell, in which Miss McWilliams made many new friends and surprised her old ones by her skill and comprehension of that peculiarly difficult character, Fanchon. The rest of the stock acquitted themselves with credit. There was had the fun of Joe, with Miss Marietta, a young actress of much promise, as the leading lady. We then had the Cricket of Rouen, and now other new pieces are in preparation. Last night Mr. Ed. Marble, son of the illustrious Dan and your excellent Mrs. Mary Marble, made a successful benefit appearance. He proved to have become attached to the dramatic corps of Defiance. He was well received.

I see that Mr. Thos. R. Blake, late of Chicago, is engaging a theatrical company to go to Knoxville, Tenn. He has already obtained the services of some excellent people, and is in search of more. At Huntsville, Ala., Mr. H. S. Hyghe has a company, composed of people, late of Cairo. At Pulaski, Tenn., they have "Billy Marble," the fat boy and his comical troupe. Who shall say that the army is not amused?

Since the district headquarters have been removed to Cairo, and the name of the division changed from Department of Columbus to Cairo, several promotions have taken place which I have not yet noticed. Gen. Hugh T. Reid has been promoted over Colonel Mower, Major Cogl. Woolfolk is Provost-marshal, headquarters here. He has as Assistant Capt. J. R. Odlin; as Adjutant of the Post, Capt. Monroe; Capt. Woolfolk is Commander, and a very efficient officer too. Lieut. Currie, late Quartermaster at Columbus, has been transferred to the Post, where Lieut. Colonel Hoffman is Commander of the department with Capt. Woolfolk, the duties of quartermaster being quite arduous. Lieut. Currie is a very efficient officer too. Lieut. Currie managed matters heavily and

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

MONEY MARKET.

MONDAY EVENING, March 7, 1864.

Money continues with an improved activity in the market, and the demand for loans is quite active. Bankers are able to supply all legitimate demands. Outsiders receive little or none. Rates are from 5 to 10 per cent, on the average, according to the parties and the security they can give, just as much as any commercial house. Exchange is very close, but the tattoos remain at ¼@¼ buying; ¼@¼ selling—the inside figure only to customers. Sterling 8ds. are here in the lower figure in all cases.

Gold was an active article in demand. The range in New York, as telegraphed to James Boyd, Esq., was as follows: Opened at 43½ at 10½; 11, 10½; 12 m., 10½; and closed at second board at 10½. After 4 p. m. sales were made at 10½. The market here was firm at 10½@10¾ buying, with a moderate demand. Gold closed at 10¾@11 selling, and at 10½@10¾ buying. Large operators are still selling, while a few speculators are buying, in order to carry some railroad, and to create a consternation at Mobile, and cause a concentration of troops there, to have them out of the way of our progress eastward.

Having concentrated his army again, Sherman is at the direction of Demopolis, on the Tombigbee, which place it reached and occupied on the 22d, that portion of Polk's forces which held the town retiring on his approach. The severance between the right and left wings of the army, which we noticed a week ago, is now complete. The right is entirely helpless, and all it can do is to retreat.

Polk has been completely outgeneraled. Sherman cannot get a fight out of him. Our troops are moving in a solid body, but parties are constantly thrown out to destroy railroads, etc., completely severing rebel communication wherever they meet.

In Mississippi the rebels did a nearly similar thing to Sherman's movement, but were not required to be a little slow by some of the natural difficulties in the way, which Sherman had to overcome. The rebels have left the country behind them a desert. We have heard to the Tallahatchie, and the

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT. OFFICE OF Comptroller of the Currency.

WASHINGTON, February 26, 1864.

WHEREAS, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that "THE SECOND NATIONAL BANK of CHICAGO, in the county of Cook, in the state of Illinois, has been duly organized under and has complied with the requirements of the act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide a National currency, secured by a pledge of United States bonds, and provide for the circulation and redemption thereof," approved February 25, 1863, and has been duly authorized to commence the business of banking under said act;

Now, THEREFORE, I, HUGH McCULLOCH, Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that "THE SECOND National Bank of CHICAGO, County of Cook, in the state of Illinois, is authorized to commence the business of Banking under the act aforesaid.

(SEAL.) In TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness my hand and seal of office, this 26th day of February, 1864.

HUGH McCULLOCH, Comptroller of the Currency.

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J. A. ELLIS, President. EDWD. J. TILTHAM, Cashier. Chicago, February 22, 1864. feb-23-d

BANK OF AMERICA.—Public Notice is hereby given, that all Bills or Circulation of the "BANK OF AMERICA," Government Stock issued to secure the redemption of the same, are now redeemable at the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, in the City of New York, and giving a description of the Bonds deposited for the redemption of said notes will be given on application to the undersigned, at the Office in Philadelphia.

E. W. WELLING, Cashier. [feb-20-d2w

Financial.

MERCHANT'S SAVINGS, LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY. Chicago, Ill., March 1, 1864. The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of this Company, for the Election of Officers for the ensuing year, will be held at their office on MONDAY, March 14, 1864, at the hour of 9 A. M. and 2 P. M. L. J. GAGE, Cashier.

PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE AND CHICAGO RAILWAY COMPANY. OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, PITTSBURGH, PA., Feb. 16, 1864.

The Annual Meeting of the Stock and Bondholders of this Company, for the election of Directors and other business, as may come before it, will be held at the office of the Company, in the City of Pittsburgh, on the third Wednesday of March, A. D. 1864, at 12 M. The Stock and Bond Transfer Books of the Company will be closed on the first day of March, at 3 o'clock, P. M., and remain so until the morning after the day of election.

W. H. BARNES, Secretary.

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The ANNUAL MEETING of the Stock and Bondholders of this Company, for the election of Directors and such other business as may come before it, will be held at the office of the Company, in the City of Pittsburgh, on the THIRD WEDNESDAY OF MARCH, 1864, at 12 M.

The Stock and Bond Transfer Books of the Company will be closed on the first day of March, at 3 o'clock, P. M., and remain closed until the morning after the day of election.

The Genoa Bonds, payable at the Office of the Treasurer, in the City of New York, will be paid on and after the first day of March, 1864.

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Chicago Tribune.

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 1864.

THE CITY.

ESCAPED HANGING.—Charles Wesley Browning, the negro who brutally murdered the youth Willis, on Sherman street, last summer, was taken to the Post House about a week ago, having been seized with the small pox; he is now dead, and has thus escaped the hangman.

A LEGION CELEBRATION.—The collation taken up at the anniversary meeting of the Sheridan Aid Society at the First Baptist Society, at their church, last Sabbath evening, resulted in adding $300 to the Society's funds. Several gentlemen agreed to pay five dollars per month to the Society until the close of the war.

LEAGUE MEETING.—The 11th and 12th Ward Leagues will hold a mass meeting at their Hall on Milwaukee avenue on this (Tuesday evening.) Let there be a large attendance; the campaign is already opened by the enemies of the Government; it is time its friends were organizing for its support.

CHICAGO TO NASHVILLE DIRECT.—Messrs. Ramsey, Bro., & Co., of this city, have loading twenty-five canal boats with oats for the army of the Cumberland. They will carry 120,000 bushels. They will be towed direct to Nashville, Tennessee—via the Illinois, Mississippi, Ohio and Cumberland Rivers.

Memo. There have over one million bushels of oats now in store for the use of the Government.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.—The Building Committee of the Chamber of Commerce have purchased the Baptist Church property, 84x60 feet, as recommended by the Association at a meeting held some three weeks ago. Subscriptions are coming in freely, the plans will be advertised for in a few days, and every preparation is being made for the erection of an edifice that will be an ornament to the city.

THE IRISH NATIONAL FAIR.—Gigantic preparations are being made by the Fenian Brotherhood, for the Grand Irish National Fair. Governor Julius White has sent one of his characteristic letters of approbation, containing $20. Gen. Pleasanton sends a very complimentary letter, enclosing a donation. A meeting of Irish ladies was held yesterday, at Tremont Hall, to make arrangements for waiting on the tables. The Secretary of the Fenian Brotherhood is in daily receipt of numerous letters from all parts of the country, conveying complimentary expressions in favor of the coming Fair.

MASONS AND BRICKLAYERS' WAGES.—The Masons and Bricklayers in this city are strengthening their Society organizations, and preparing to ask for an increase of wages the ensuing season. Last year they received $3, and $3.25 per day. We learn that the new rates will be $3.50 and $3. The high prices of provisions bear hard upon these mechanics, as they are without employment during all the winter months, and are obliged to save enough of their summer's income to keep their families through the cold season.

ARRIVALS OF SOLDIERS.—Fifteen men of the 1st Illinois regiment, detailed from nine different companies to bring forty-four rebel prisoners to Camp Douglas, arrived here yesterday morning with Brig. General Sheridan.

At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, one hundred and thirty-six of the 5th Illinois cavalry arrived at the Soldiers' Rest, where dinner was provided for them. They left for Washington at 5 o'clock in the evening.

Six hundred and fifty of the 50th Infantry, and a number of the 97th Infantry, are expected to arrive in the city to-day.

FRACAS AMONG DROVERS.—Yesterday afternoon John Galvan was charged before Justice Moore with committing an assault upon the person of Michael Dunn. The parties are both drovers at the Fort Wayne Stock Yards, and yesterday morning they had a dispute of nothing for their little remuneration, telling him that he was disgracing the "profession." Three or four other individuals of similar opinion united with the defendant, and gave Dunn a severe thrashing, and Dunn did not seem to be a principal offender, he was only fined $1 and costs. Warrants were issued for the arrest of the others.

FIRE AT THE CATHOLIC COLLEGE.—The old wooden building attached to the college at the block bounded by Cass, Superior and Wolcott street and Chicago avenue, and which has till lately been the location of the University of St. Mary's of the Lake, was discovered to be on fire about half past 9 o'clock last evening. The west end of the building and the roof were consumed. The loss can scarcely be estimated, but will not probably exceed $500. The College exercises will not be seriously interfered with, as the family has just removed to the new brick building immediately to the South. The wooden building was only partially occupied, and would soon have been entirely vacated.

PUBLISHING BUTCHERS.—Patrick Cash and Kern Cash, two brothers who keep a butcher shop on Illinois street, were charged, before Justice Moore yesterday, with assaulting Richard C. Kelly, also a purveyor of animal food to the community. Patrick Cash and Kelly have long had slight differences, which on Saturday night they determined to settle by an assault. Patrick's brother, believing the pugilistic engagement, for some time obviated so "backer," by finding this position to possess no little sensitiveness, joined in the attack on Kelly, in violation of all rules of the P. R., severely injuring the pugilist's physiognomy. The prisoners were remanded until next Monday, being bound over in the sum of $200 each.

SUPPOSED ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—On Sunday night a gentleman who is suffering from nervous spasms was brought to the Police headquarters from the First Baptist church on the other corner of Lasalle street, where she had been attend. Dr. J. A. Hallmann attended to the patient, and she was soon put on artificial respiration, the presence of police, administered the proper remedies with successful results. The patient though still in a precarious condition, was at last accounts, recovering. From papers found in the lady's pocket, her name appears to be Emma J. Smith. She came to Chicago in search of employment as a music teacher, but seems to have been so far unsuccessful. In a letter written to her brother, and directed to Ann street, New York, she states that she is in distress, being in arrears for board. At present the girl is in kind hands, where she will be cared for, and should the future be so exposed to the many temptations thrown in the way of destitute females in all large cities. Among those who have manifested lively sympathies for the lady are Alderman Tinsworth and wife. Miss Smith is about 22 years old, good looking, being of medium height, and having fair complexion and auburn hair.

PERSONAL.—We announce with sincere pleasure the fact that ADOLPH RAUBACK, the distinguished musician and teacher of music, will hereafter make Chicago his home. Mr. Rauback, as our readers know, has long resided in New York. He is familiar in almost every household by his secret quartettes, and other excellent compositions he has made to music as well as to general members. Standing in the front rank of American composers, and having already achieved a permanent fame by his compositions, which are of no meretricious order, it is a compliment to our musical taste that he is come among us to remain. Chicago is rapidly advancing in these matters. You can easily trace the front rank of American composers, and having already achieved a permanent fame by his compositions, which are of no meretricious order, it is a compliment to our musical taste that he is come among us to remain. Chicago is rapidly advancing in these matters. You

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Addresses by C. W. Hawley, J. A. Sleeper, H. Ou Mann and Mark Walker—at Warner's Hall.

Pursuant to a call, a large and appreciative audience was assembled last evening at Warner's Hall to listen to the remarks of J. A. Sleeper, Esq., and other eloquent speakers, on the present aspect of national affairs.

The Chair was taken by James Miller, Esq., who stated the object of the meeting, and then called upon C. W. Hawley, who, amid loud applause, gave a brief history of the Rebellion, showing how it had grown and showed up the present position of the Democratic party.

The chairman then introduced J. A. Sleeper, Esq., who, amid prolonged applause, stated that it would not be amiss to look back upon our government, and by doing this, we could readily see if we have lost or gained during the interval. The basis of the United States is so solidly founded, that it can endure forever, but as the principles which favored its basis were not adopted in its erection, we have consequently our present position. Slavery is the rock upon which the Rebellion, and the hodge of the rebels is to find a great slave government. Calhoun, when inaugurated in Congress, said, because Old Hickory was President and not a Southerner, his friends thought Calhoun then in abeyance for calling the whole South on the slave question, and we now see the result of such a thought. The Democratic party has come to either get possession of the Government, or failing in that, to rule it. In 1854, Douglas, in the Nebraska Bill and the repeal to the Supreme Court in relation to the slave question, and the political state of the country at that time were fully canvassed. Douglas, at Springfield, stated that all farmers of the North, and the friends of freedom having settled the Territory of Nebraska, and with the aid of Stephen A. Douglas, the Lecompton bill was defeated. This defeat was distrous to slavery, and it marked the low water mark of its power commenced to crumble. Slavery is now passing through its last struggle. Your Committee would further recommend that all the timbers used for construction of a bridge be branded so as to render it impossible to decay, which can be done at an expense of about five dollars per thousand feet.

Your Committee would further suggest that the bridge be repaired, and that the Chicago, Rock Island and Pittsburg and Fort Wayne railroad for information on the subject of repairing, as he has had considerable experience in building bridges.

Your Committee would recommend the passage of the ensuing ordinance, submitted by the Board of Public Works.

Your Committee would further report that they have conferred with the West Side Railway Company, concerning the rebuilding of Randolph street bridge, and have received from them, a proposition, which we herewith present, to give $1000 towards defraying the expense of building the bridge.

An ordinance authorizing the construction of a bridge at Randolph street, and a temporary loan for the cost of the same.

Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Chicago, that the Commissioner of Public Works are hereby authorized to remove the bridge across Chicago River at Randolph street, now in a dilapidated and unsafe condition, and to replace the same by a new wooden cross bridge to be built according to plans and specifications prepared by said Board.

SEC. 2. That to provide for the expense of the foregoing, the sum of $6,000 is hereby appropriated from the city treasury.

SEC. 3. That the Mayor and Comptroller are hereby authorized and directed to borrow a sum of money not exceeding $4,000, for a term not exceeding one year, at the rate of not exceeding ten per cent per annum, and to pay the principal and interest of said loan to the purposes of the foregoing section.

REPORT ON THE BRIDGE.

The following is the report of the City Superintendent:

GENTLEMEN: I have this day made an examination of the old Randolph street wooden bridge. I found by boring into the timber in several places, that they consist of a mere shell on the outside, while the inside is entirely decayed. The shell varies in thickness from one-half inch to two inches; this examination was made on Saturday, on the under side of the arch or chord; the top surface show very plainly the decayed condition of the timber without boring. I tested several places with the bodkin to sounding and rotten. This shell when the bodkin is sounding and rotten, for two inches three examinations by boring were made